

TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE GROUND STATIONS

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In 2010, ESA committed itself to :

Reduce by 20%* its CO₂ emissions

Reduce by 20%* its energy consumption

Before 2020

***Baseline 2007**

The presentation will:

- Give examples of actions already taken to improve energy efficiency
- Introduce some forthcoming projects
- Give some thought to the future

ACTIONS ALREADY TAKEN

REPLACEMENT OF LIGHTS

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We have replaced in our station of Cebreros – SPAIN
(Deep Space Antenna 2) traditional fluorescent lights



REPLACEMENT OF LIGHTS

by modern
LED luminaires

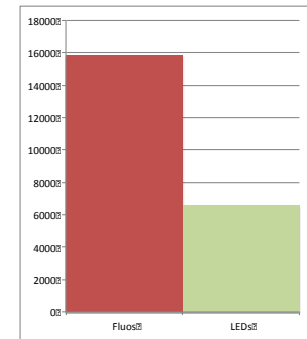


LIGHTS REPLACEMENT – Facts and Figures

- Improved comfort for the users by eliminating flickering of the fluorescent lights.
This is almost imperceptible but can have disturbing effects on some people (headache e.g.)
- Better illumination levels: we were below the levels (500 lux) required by the European and international standards (EN 12464-1 and ISO 8995)
 - This is not the case any longer.

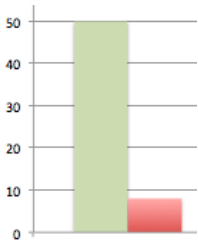
LIGHTS REPLACEMENT – Facts and Figures

- Savings:
more than 220 panels have been replaced.
Each contained 4 tubes of 18W (72W)
Replaced by 30W LED panels



➤ Generating an estimated saving of **29000 kWh per year!**

- The LEDs have a lifetime of about 50000 h (16 years of usage!) compared to 8000h for the tubes (comparatively 2.5 years)
- Costs have been reduced by about **5k€** per year
- Investment repaid in less than **4 years**



ILLUMINATION & PRESENCE MONITORING

Taking advantage of the total refurbishment of an entire floor (900 sq.m) we have introduced:

- An illumination monitoring device



- A presence detector



ILLUMINATION MONITORING - What does it do?

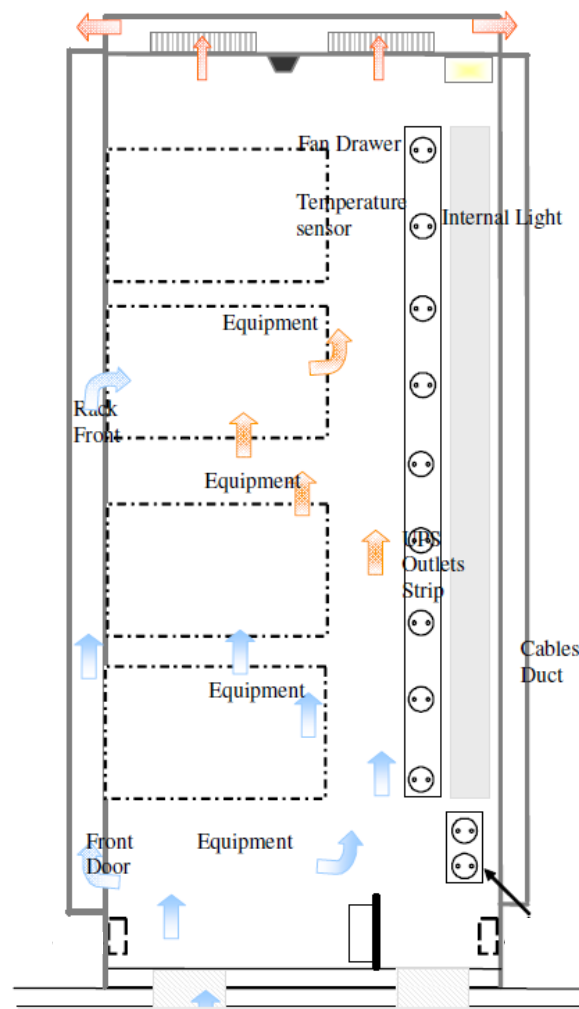
- You set up your preferred illumination level in your office
- Throughout the day the illumination sensor dims up or down the light in your office depending on the outside light.

PRESENCE MONITORING - What does it do?

- You leave your office for more than 15 minutes: it turns off your lights...
- When you return: it switches them back on to the dimmed level they were before you left...
- Incidentally we also use it to turn the heating down

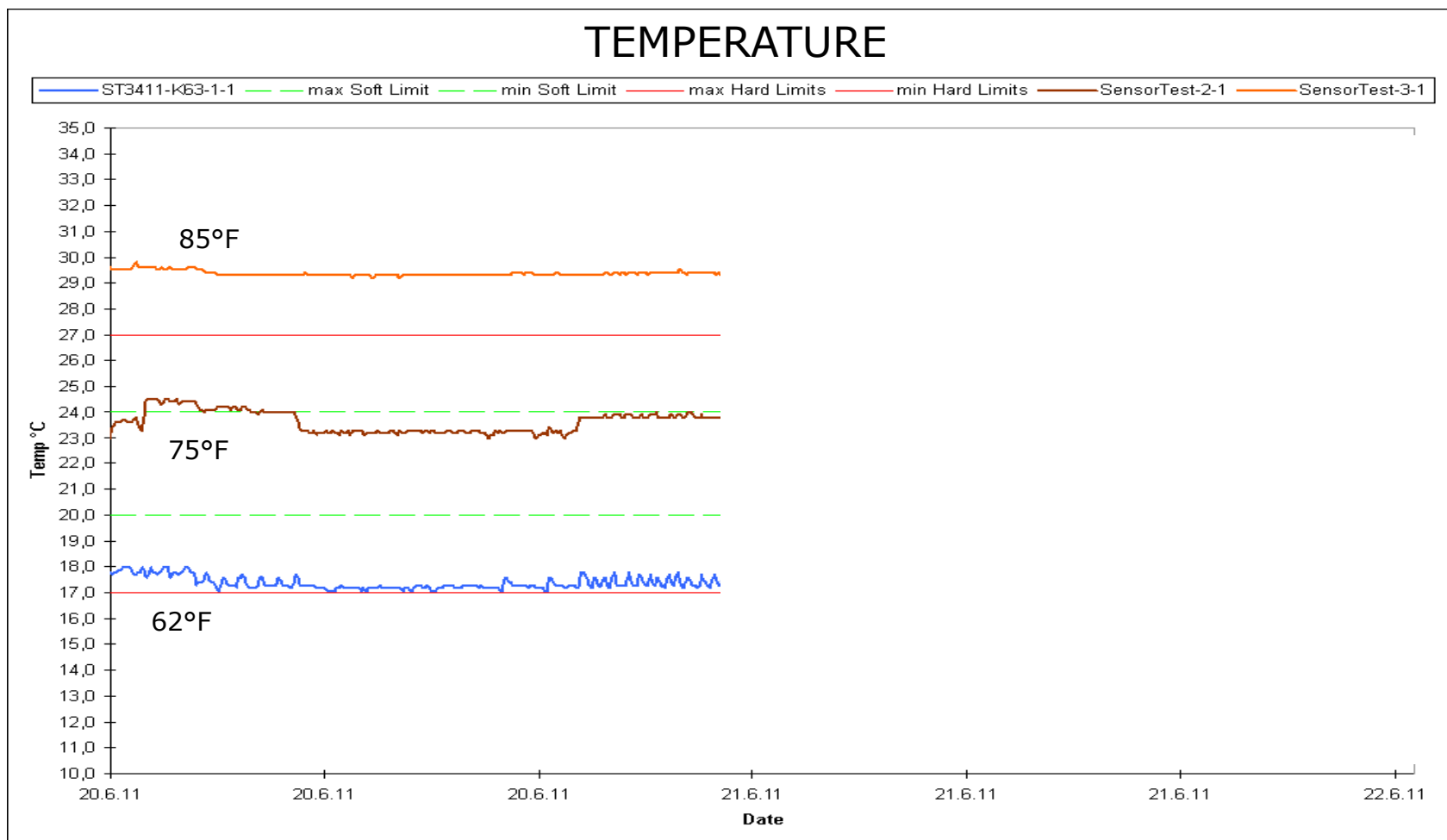
DATA CENTRE COOLING

Historically this is how a rack was cooled in our data centres



DATA CENTRE COOLING

Improved airflow in racks

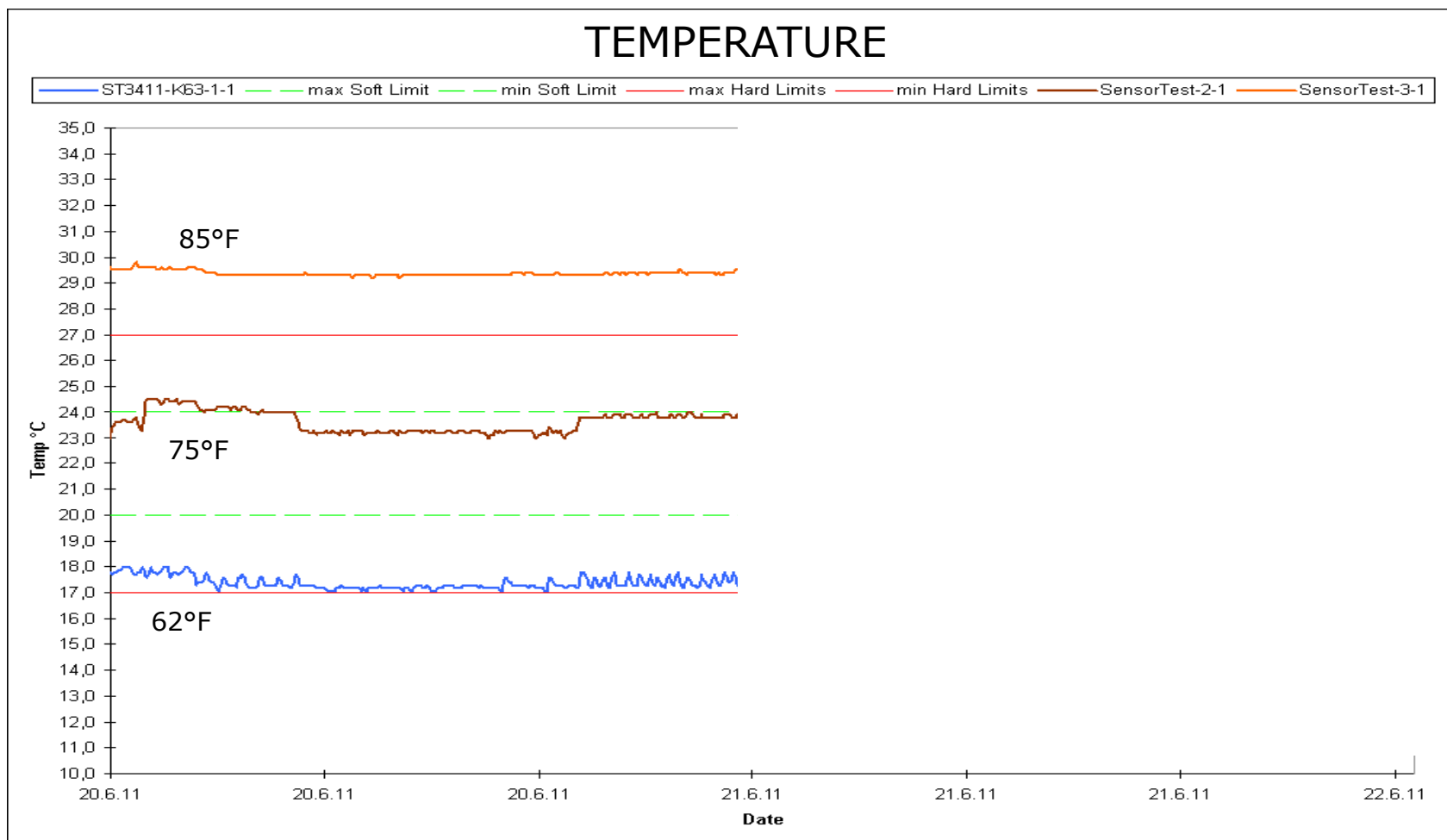


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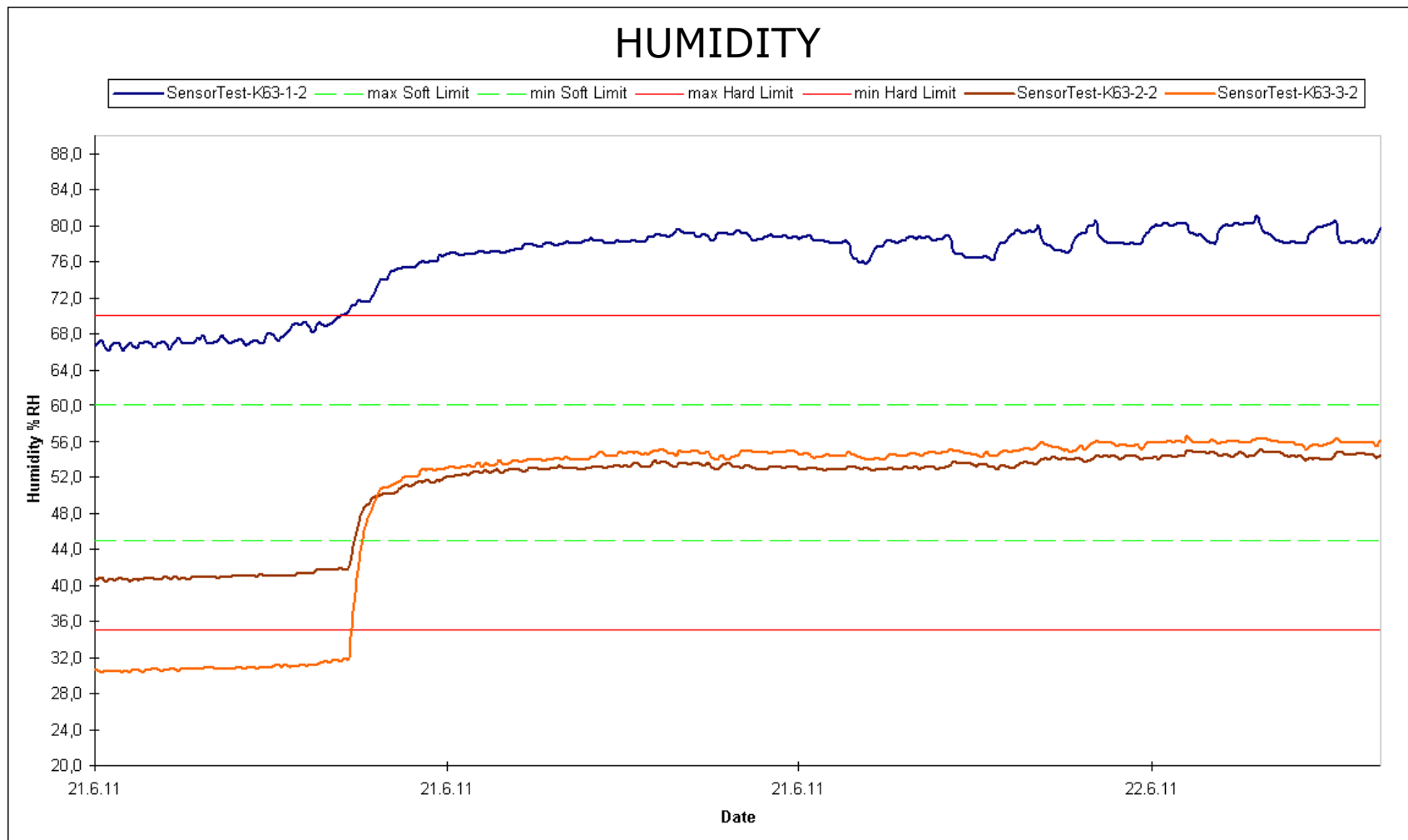
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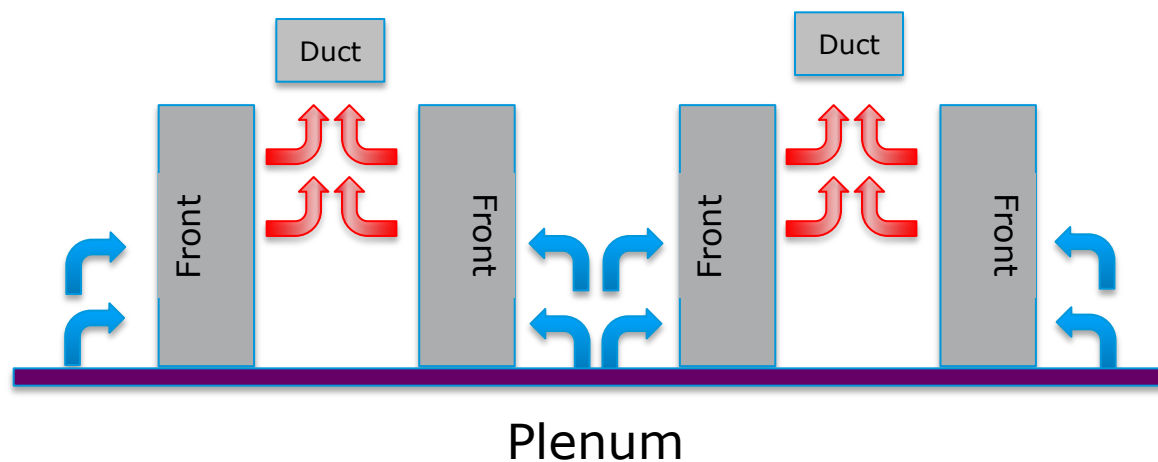


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Improved airflow in racks



COLD AISLE – WARM AISLE ALTERNANCE



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RADIO-FREQUENCY AMPLIFIERS

RADIO-FREQUENCY AMPLIFIERS

X-Band High Power Amplifier (20 kW)



A TYPICAL 20 kW AMPLIFIER

Its power consumption is
about **90 kW**

Its direct yearly consumption
is in the range of
300 MWh

Additional consumption
generated by cooling systems.



RADIO-FREQUENCY AMPLIFIERS

X-Band High Power Amplifier (20 kW)



Whether we need 2kW or 20kW
RF the power consumption is
the same (90 kW)

but

many passes need only
5 to 10 kW RF

How can we reduce the overall
consumption?

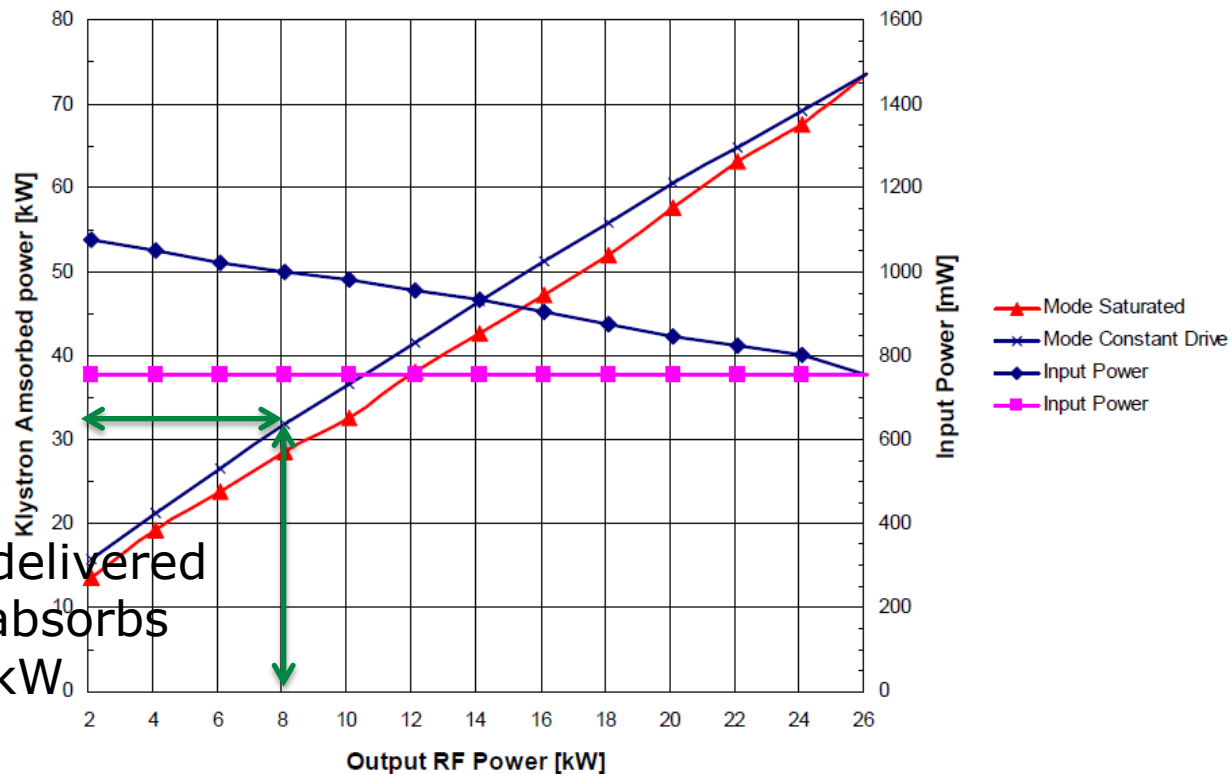


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A new way of using the klystron has been studied to reduce the direct power consumption when low RF power required.



For 8 kW RF delivered
the klystron absorbs
less than 35 kW₀

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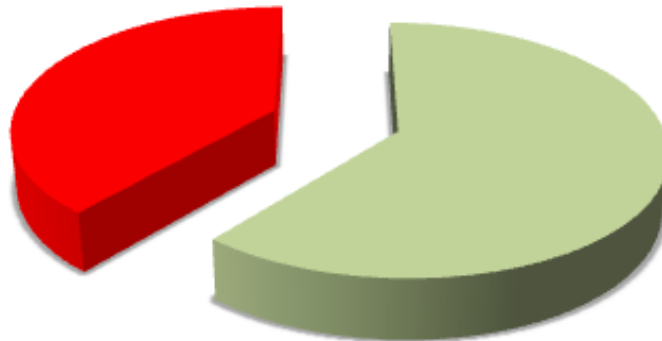


20 kW RF -> 90 kVA consumption

10 kW RF -> 55 kVA consumption

Direct savings of about 40%

And additional savings due to lower cooling requirements



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kW	27.8	27.4	27.5	82.7
kVA	30.0	29.4	29.6	89.1
kVAR	11.4	10.7	11.0	33.1
PF	0.93	0.93	0.93	0.93
Cosφ	0.99	0.99	0.99	
A rms	138	135	136	
	L1	L2	L3	
V rms	217.6	217.6	217.5	
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kVAR	7.8	7.2	7.9	23.0
PF	0.90	0.92	0.90	0.91
Cosφ	0.98	0.99	0.97	
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RADIO-FREQUENCY AMPLIFIERS

X-Band Low Power Amplifier (DNK7703)



Classic Klystrons

Single collector voltage

All current at 9 kV.

Power consumption constant (even without RF)
(~ 12 kW)

New MSDC* Klystrons

Part of the current only at 3 kV, 6 kV or 9 kV.

Achieve savings at maximum RF power

Even more efficient at lower RF power levels



*MSDC = Multi Spate Depressed Collector

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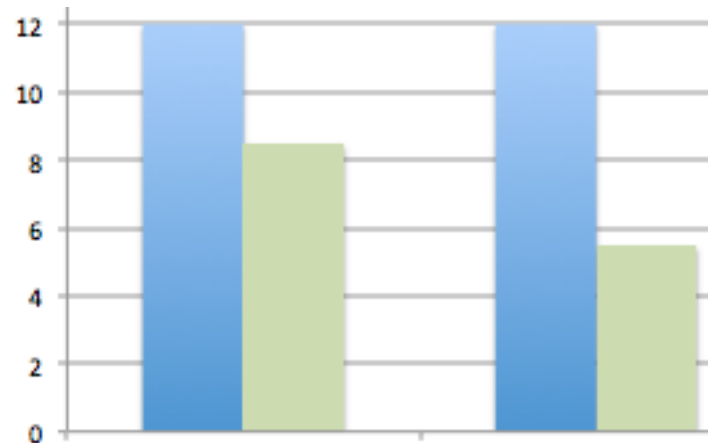


30% saving in power consumption at full RF power

old ~12 kW vs **new** ~ 8.5 kW

60% saving in power consumption at no RF power

old ~12 kW vs **new** ~ 5.5 kW



A new Solid-State Amplifier

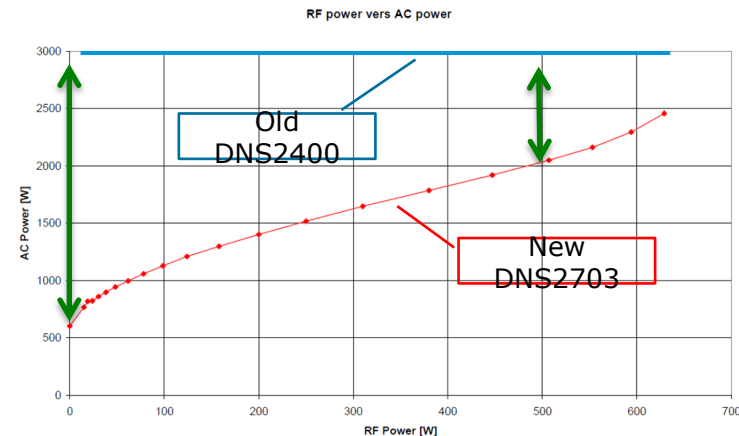
4 modules instead of 16
less material used
less future waste



Use of Class AB transistors

Power consumption reduced from 3 kW to 2 kW
(for 500 W output)

Reduced power consumption with RF OFF (600W)



OUR PROJECTS

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Electricity public supply



Source:
ABC News
4 Apr. 2012



Statement from Lyndon Rowe of
the Economic Regulation Authority

Massive price hike needed to meet electricity costs

Updated Wed 4 Apr 2012, 8:01pm AEST

There has been a recommendation the Government increase electricity prices by 23 per cent, adding more than \$350 to the average household bill, in order to meet the true cost of its production.

A draft report by the Economic Regulation Authority has found Synergy would need to increase the average household bill by \$353 next financial year to achieve cost reflective pricing.

The ERA says residential tariffs would need to rise by 23 per cent on July 1, of which 8.4 per cent would be attributed to the carbon tax.

The State Government has already flagged an increase of five per cent, exclusive of the carbon tax, in last year's budget.

The ERA's Lyndon Rowe says there has already been a 57 per cent increase in tariffs since 2009 but more is needed to reach the true cost of producing power.

"Somebody is paying for this," he said.

"At the moment, there's a significant subsidy, I think in the order of \$350 to \$400 million, that the Government pays Synergy because we don't have cost reflective tariffs and that's paid for by WA taxpayers."

"Talking about a 23 per cent rise in electricity is not a welcome thing but I guess if there is a positive out of this, it is our view that after we get over this hump, in fact, the pressure from other increases is diminishing."

The Government will have the final say on any price increases.

The Opposition's Bill Johnston says it needs to remember that households have already been hit hard.

"I think the Government needs to demonstrate it's got families in mind, needs to understand the problems that people in Western Australia have had because of the savage increases they've had to date," he said.



PHOTO: Crews are working to restore power to those hit by cuts. (ABC)

MAP: Perth 6000

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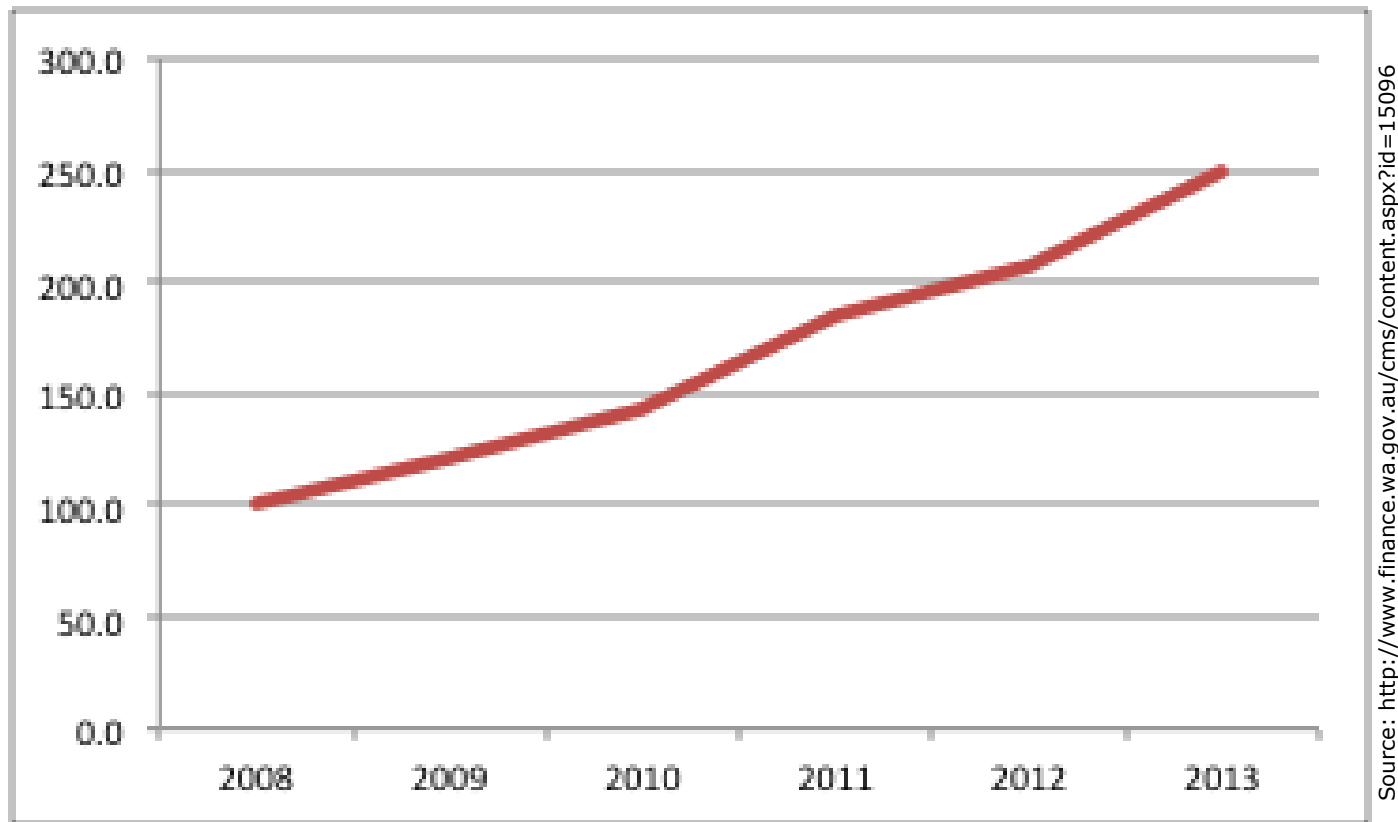
Electricity Pricing in Australia



- Power Pricing has increased by approximately 57% since 2009
- Western Australian Government - goal of reaching Cost Reflective Pricing
 - estimated increase of at least 23% to meet CRP
- Government Subsidy to suppliers is still currently \$350m to \$400m p.a.
- Federal Government to introduce a Carbon Tax from July 1 2012
 - ~~- Estimated to increase power cost by 9.3% from July 1~~
 - in addition to supplier price increase 3.5% from July 1

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Electricity Prices Evolution

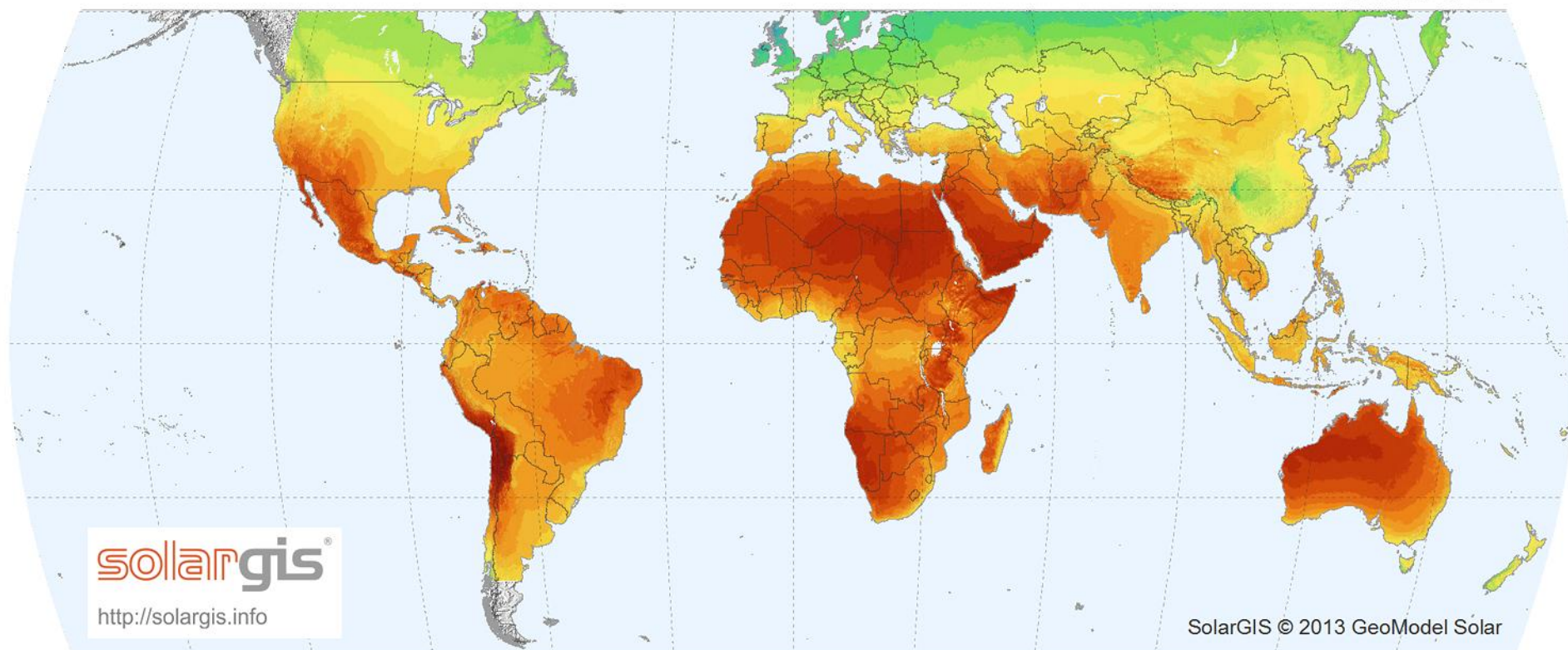


Prices multiplied by 2.5 within 5 years
More than 20% per year

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WORLD MAP OF GLOBAL HORIZONTAL IRRADIATION

GeoModel
SOLAR

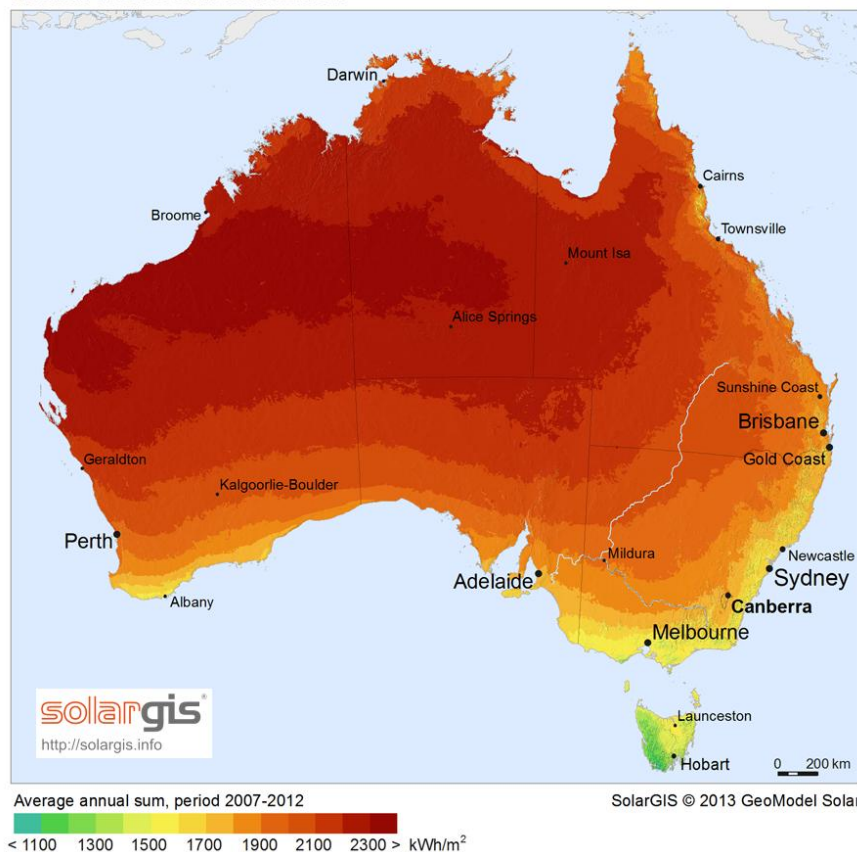


Long-term average of: Annual sum < 700 900 1100 1300 1500 1700 1900 2100 2300 2500 2700 >
Daily sum < 2.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 4.0 4.5 5.0 5.5 6.0 6.5 7.0 7.5 > kWh/m²

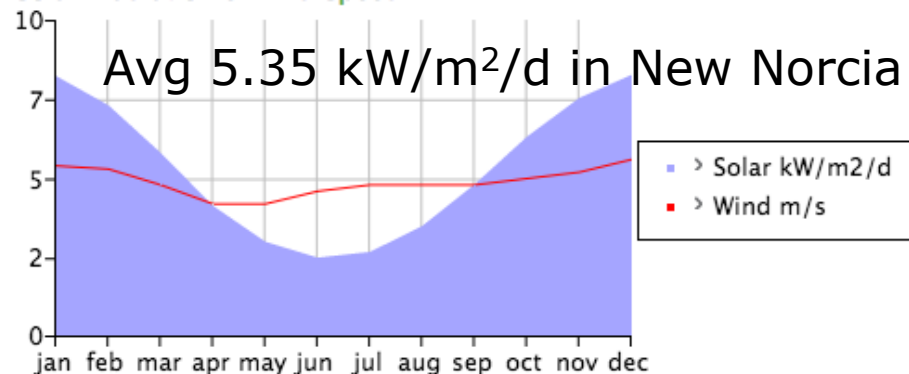
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Global Horizontal Irradiation

Australia

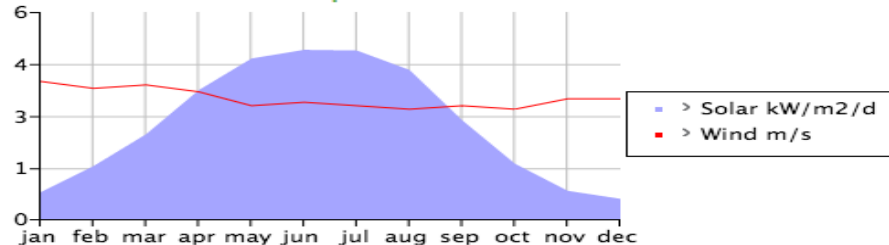


Solar Irradiation & Wind Speed



Source:
<http://www.energymatters.com.au/climate-data/>

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Avg 2.78 kW/m²/d in Frankfurt

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		Area		Population	
	MWp	(Millions km ²)	W/km ²	(Millions)	W/capita
EU	79.9	4.3	18.6	505	158.2
Germany	35.7	0.357	100.0	80.7	442.4
US	11.9	9.6	1.2	318.7	37.3
Australia	3.1	9	0.3	23.6	131.4
Spain	5.3	0.505	10.5	46.5	114.0

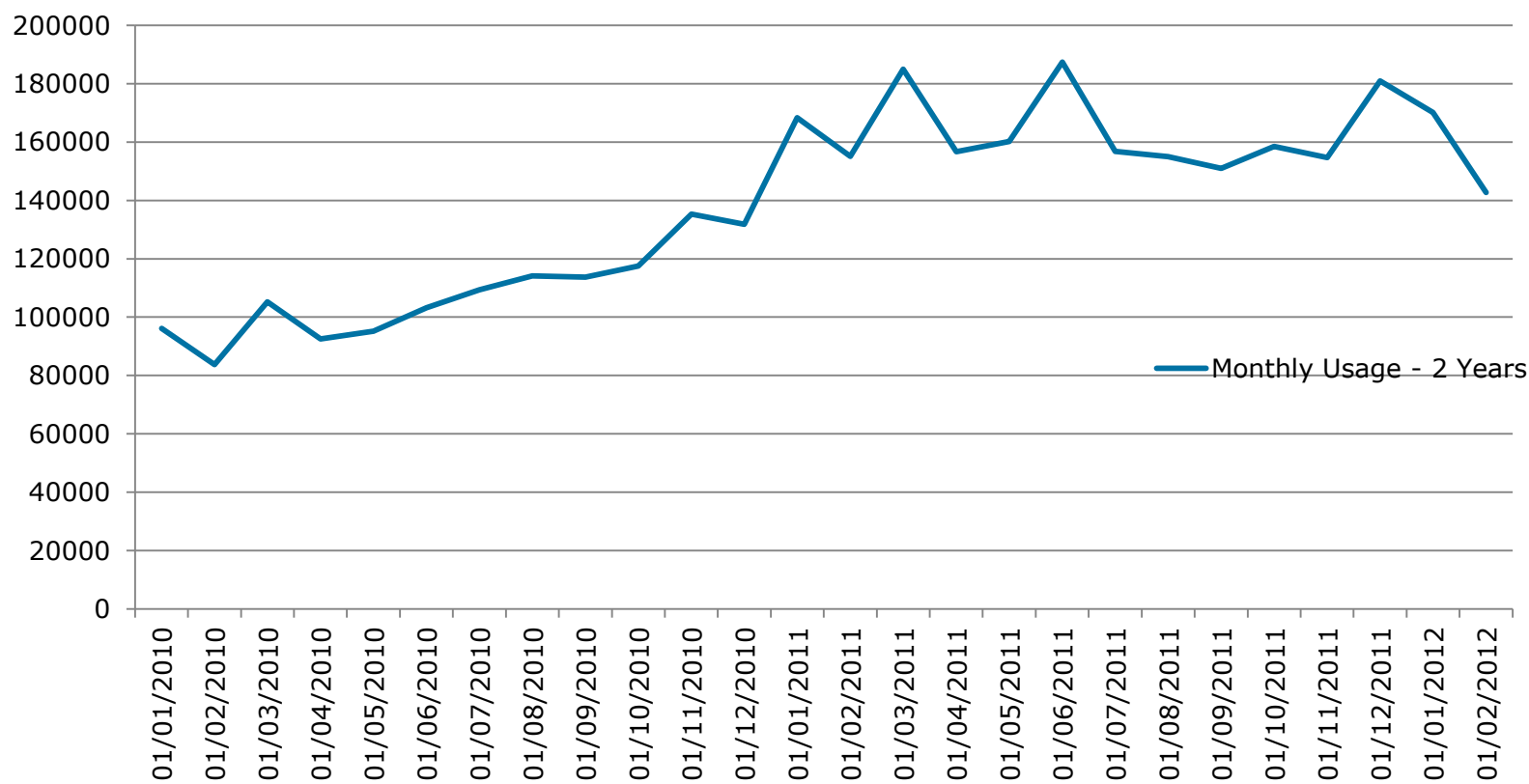
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New Norcia – Power Statistics



Monthly Usage (kWh) - 2 Years

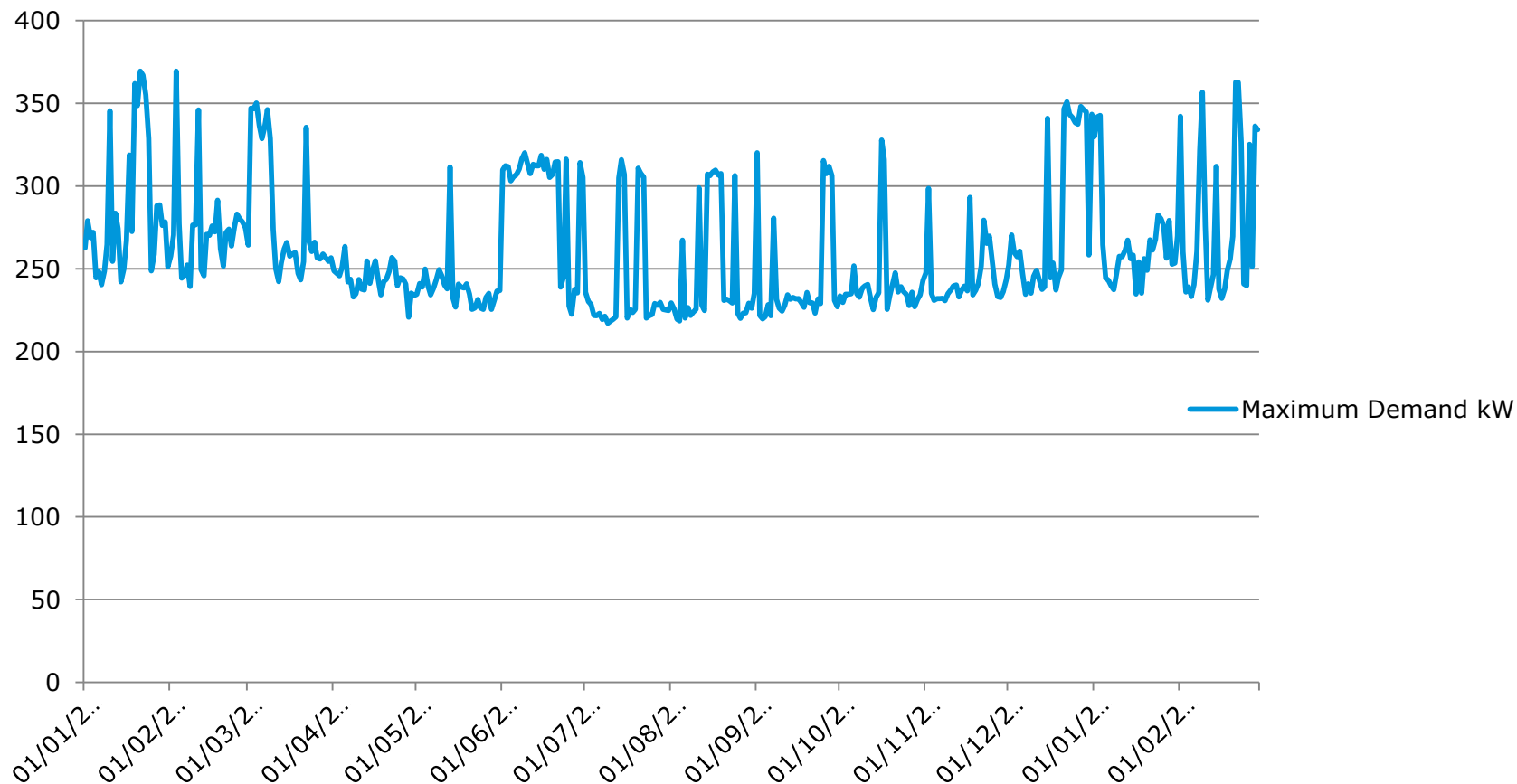


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Maximum Demand kW

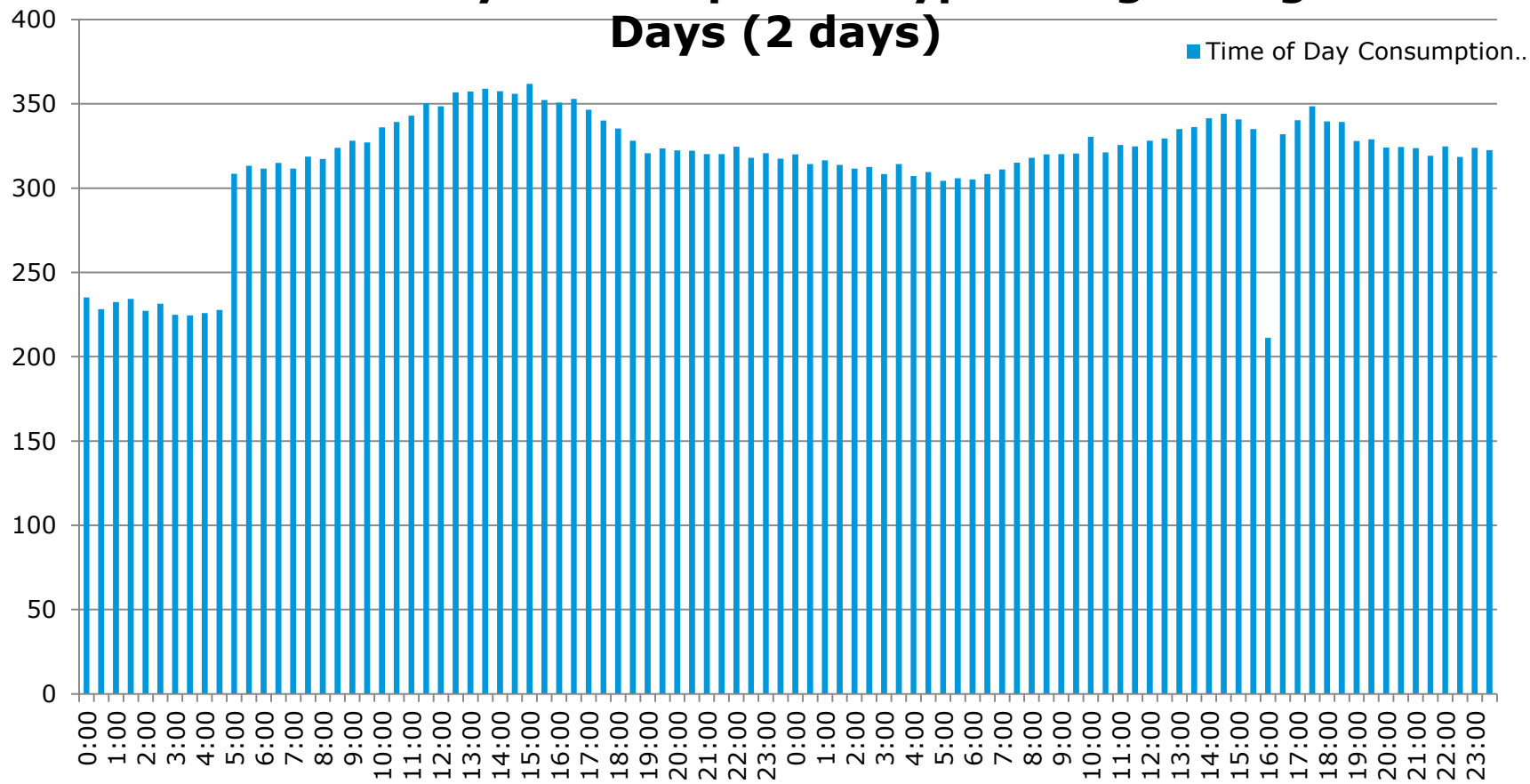


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Time of Day Consumption - Typical High Usage Days (2 days)

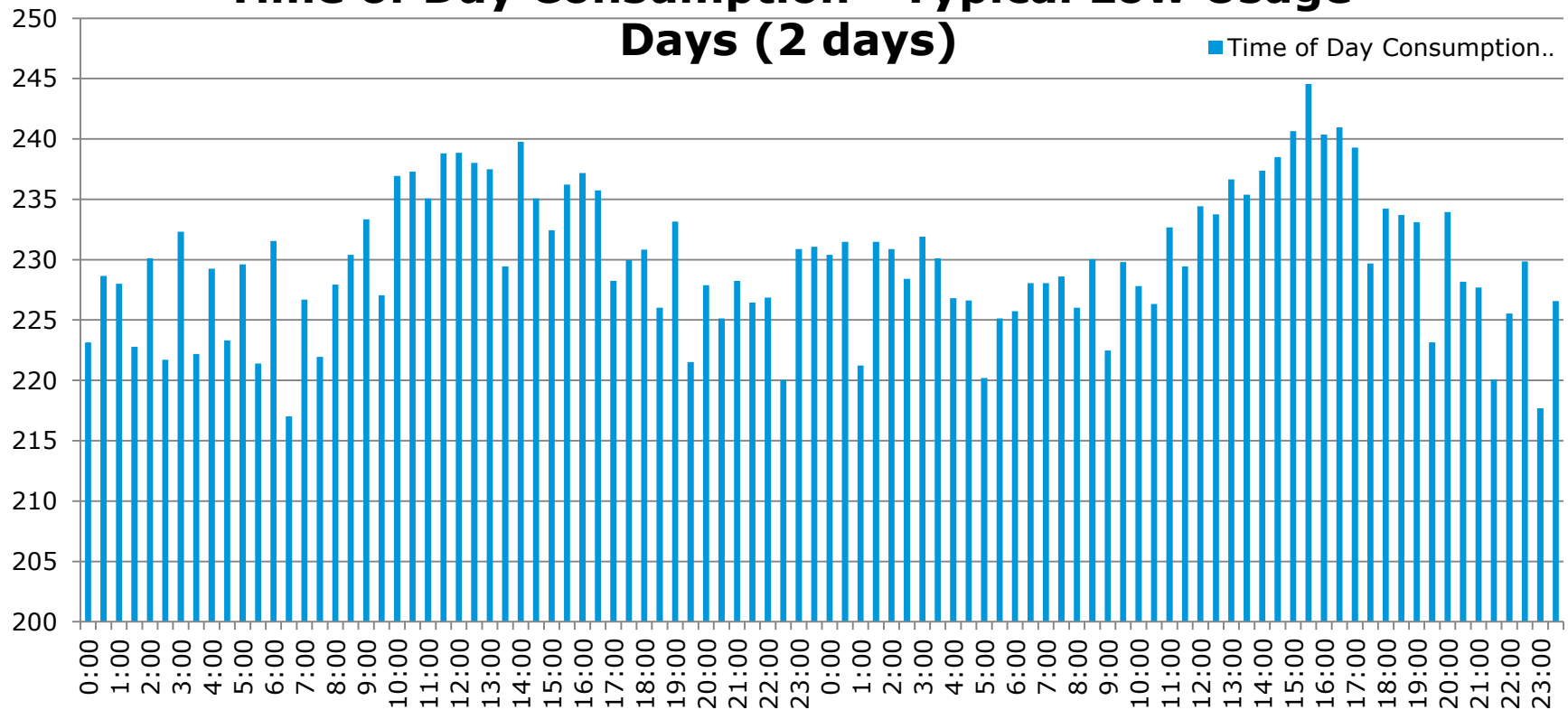


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Time of Day Consumption - Typical Low Usage Days (2 days)

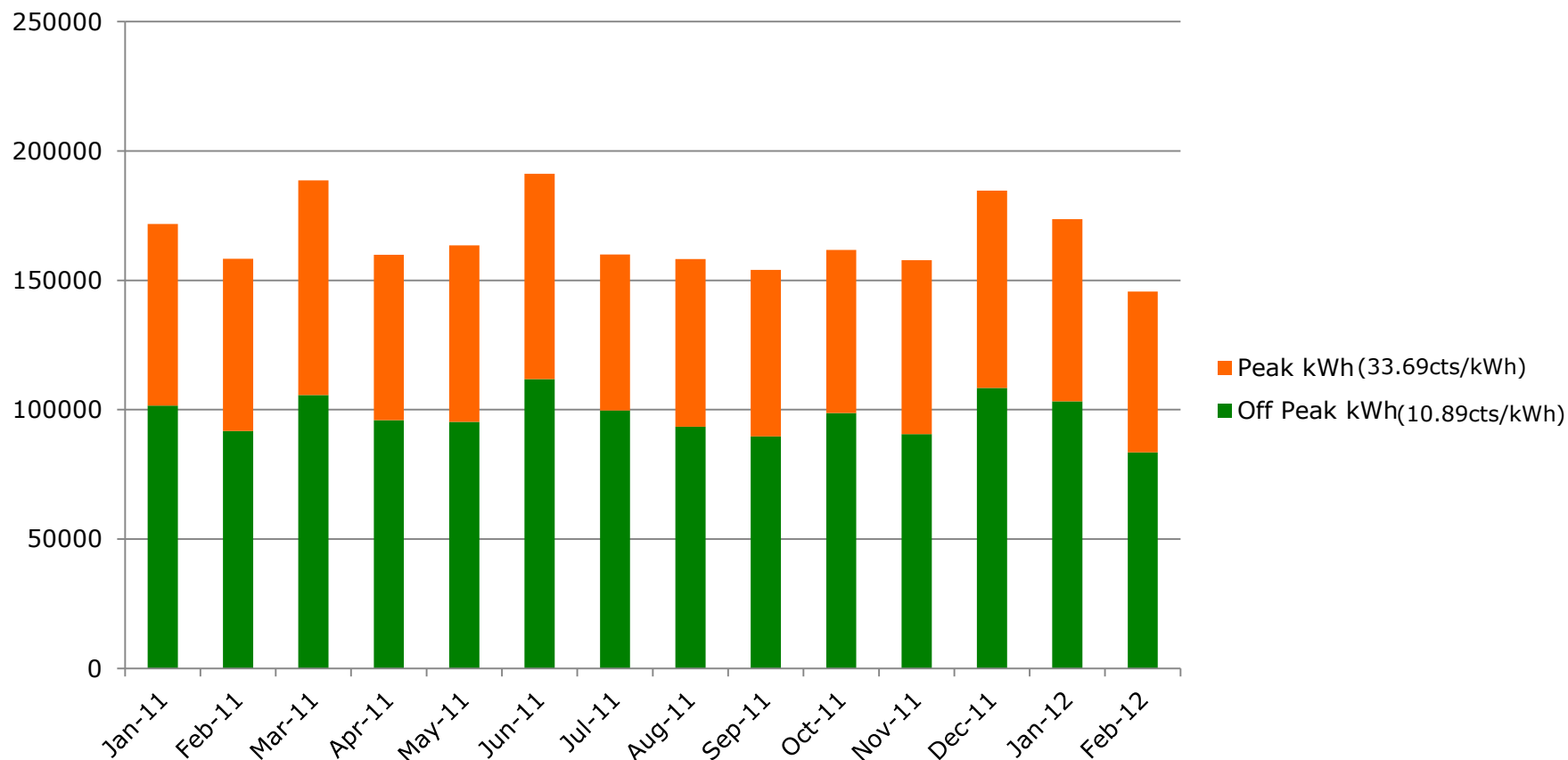


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New Norcia – Power Statistics



Peak and Off Peak Power Usage



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Solar System Characteristics



Based on analysis of the electricity consumption, we considered:

- A System Capacity of about 250kW
 - Estimated Output of between 400 and 457MWh/year
 - 400 tons of Carbon Dioxide per year estimated saving
- For example:
 - 48 strings of 18 300W-Panels
 - Ground mounted frames
 - Concrete strip footings
 - 864 panels / 259kW

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Implantation Options



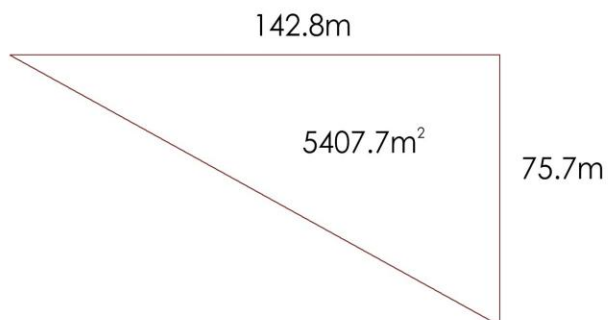
4180.9m²

44.6m

98.2m

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Implantation Options



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Business Case Considerations



Solar Array Size:	259kW
Azimuth:	30 degrees
Orientation:	North
System Life:	25 Years
Year 1 Energy Production:	450MWh
Annual Output Reduction:	0.8%/year
Capital Cost	\$1M
Maintenance Cost:	\$6,000/year (increasing 5%/year)
Replacement Cost:	\$100,000 every 10 years
Peak Tariff:	\$0.3369/kWh
Off-Peak Tariff:	\$0.1089/kWh
Electricity Tariff Increase:	7.5%/year (for Business As Usual)

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Levelised Cost of Energy (LCOE)



LCOE accrues all the costs of a power generation system over its lifetime (*25 years in our case*) such as

- capital costs (*\$1M in our case*)
- maintenance and operation costs
- equipment replacement costs
- Fuel costs (*\$0 in our case*)

These costs are divided by the projected energy production of the system over the same time period.

This produces a levelised \$/kWh figure that can be compared with other generation sources or the retail cost of energy over the lifetime of the system.

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Production and Costs



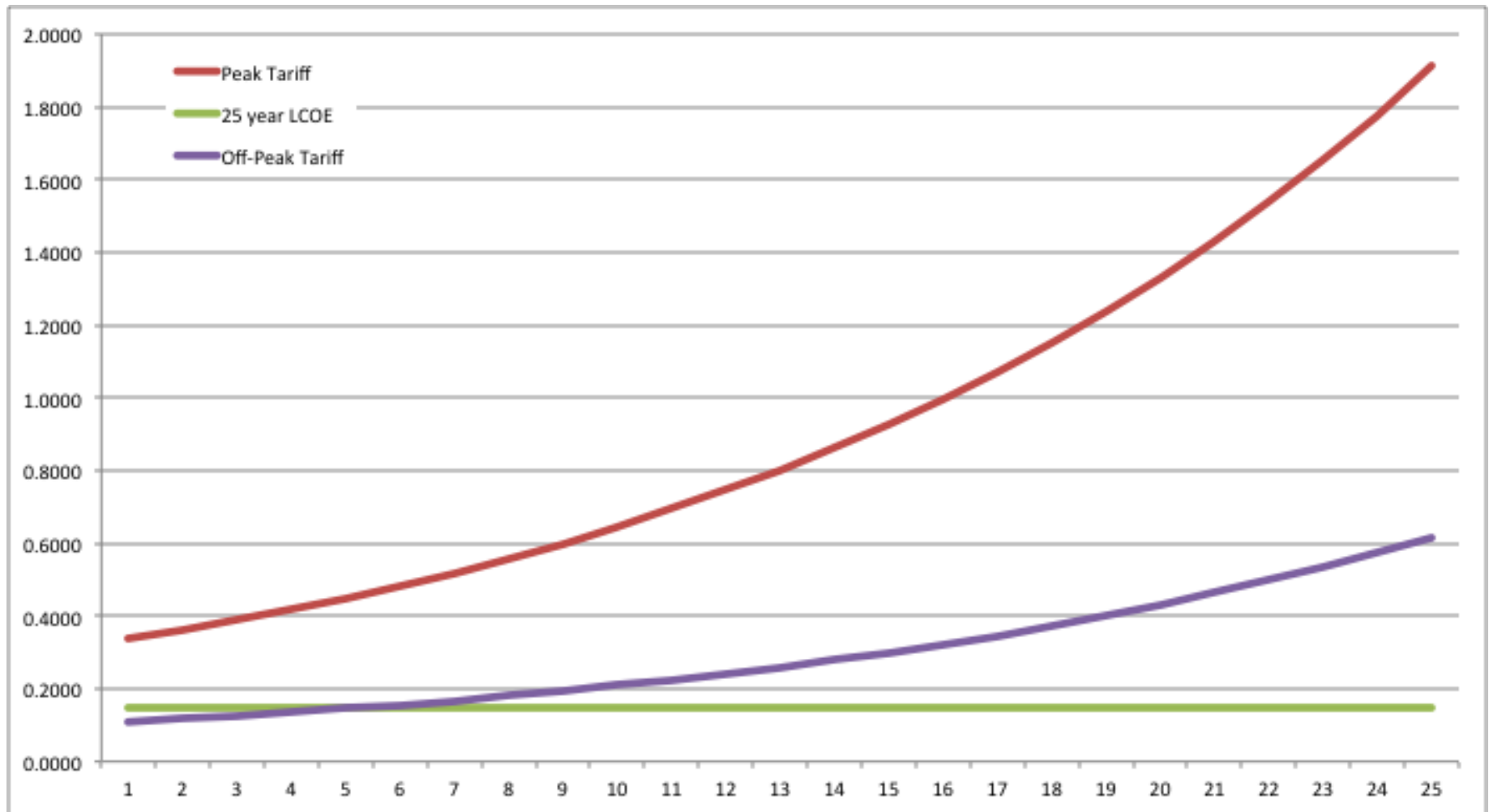
In our case, we would produce over the lifetime of the system

10.23GWh at a rate of **\$0.1452/kWh**
(\$0.1294/kWh with LGC* as of 2016)

* Large Scale Generation Certificate

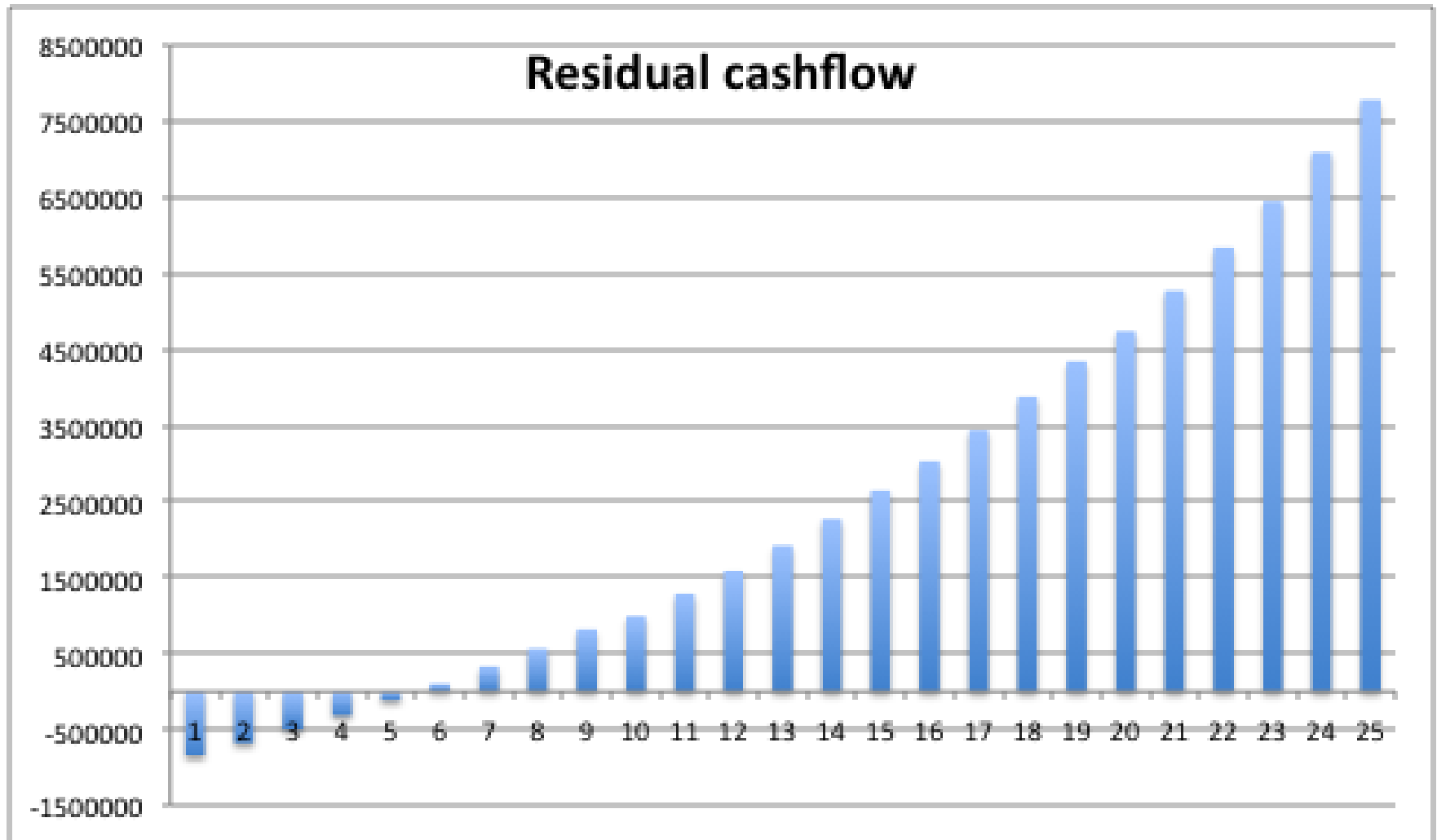
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Costs comparison



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Estimated Payback



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Business case summary



	5%	7.5%	10%
Investment Payback	6years	6years	6years
Savings after 20yrs	3.3 M\$	4.7 M\$	6.6 M\$
Savings after 25yrs	5.1 M\$	7.8 M\$	11.7 M\$

Estimated System Cost is approx. \$1 million AUD

IT LOOKS GOOD

**SO LET'S GO
FOR IT...**

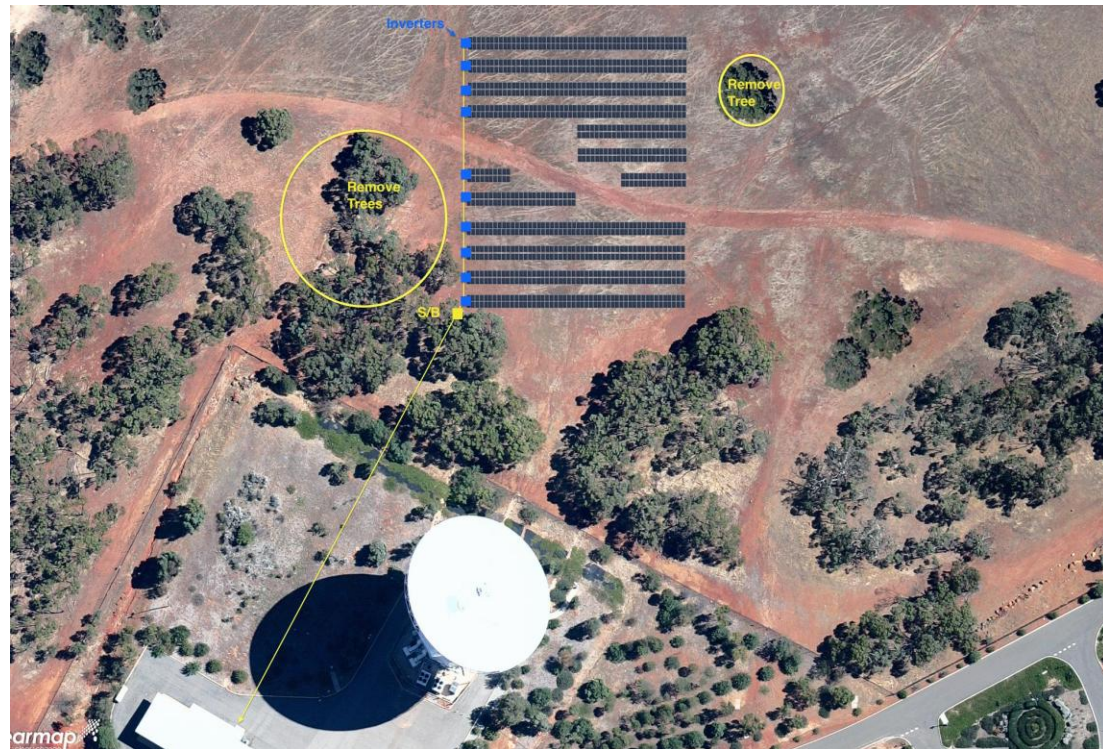
Our first step was to ask for a commercial proposal in order to validate our assumptions.

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Validation of the Project



Commercial offer:
984 panels of 255 W each
Cost around AU\$ 800k
ROI : 4.9 years



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Authorities Approval



- **Building Permit**
- **Electricity Supplier Approval**

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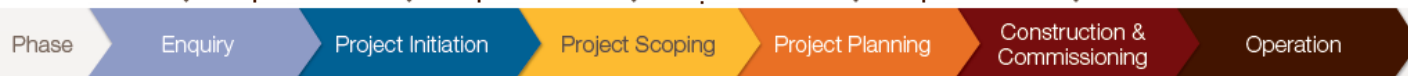
Electricity Supplier Approval



Connecting transmission loads and large generators to the Western Power Network

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MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE FOLLOWING PHASE



The Enquiry phase provides guidance on the information required to complete a Connection Application form. An Enquiry Assessment will assist you to identify a suitable network connection point and evaluate the feasibility of your project.

The Project Initiation phase involves identifying network constraints applicable to your application, assessing if your application is competing for network capacity, and identifying viable options to modify the network to meet your requirements.

The Project Scoping phase involves developing a scope of work for each option to modify the network, assessing each option, and selecting the final technical solution to be implemented.

The Project Planning phase involves Western Power preparing business cases, contracts, detailed designs and estimates, and construction plans for the final technical solution to modify the network.

The required network modifications are then constructed and commissioned by Western Power under the terms of the Interconnection Works Contract (IWC).

Once constructed, the new or modified connection assets become the property of Western Power. Assets can now begin operating under the terms of the Electricity Transfer Access Contract (ETAC).

Fact sheets

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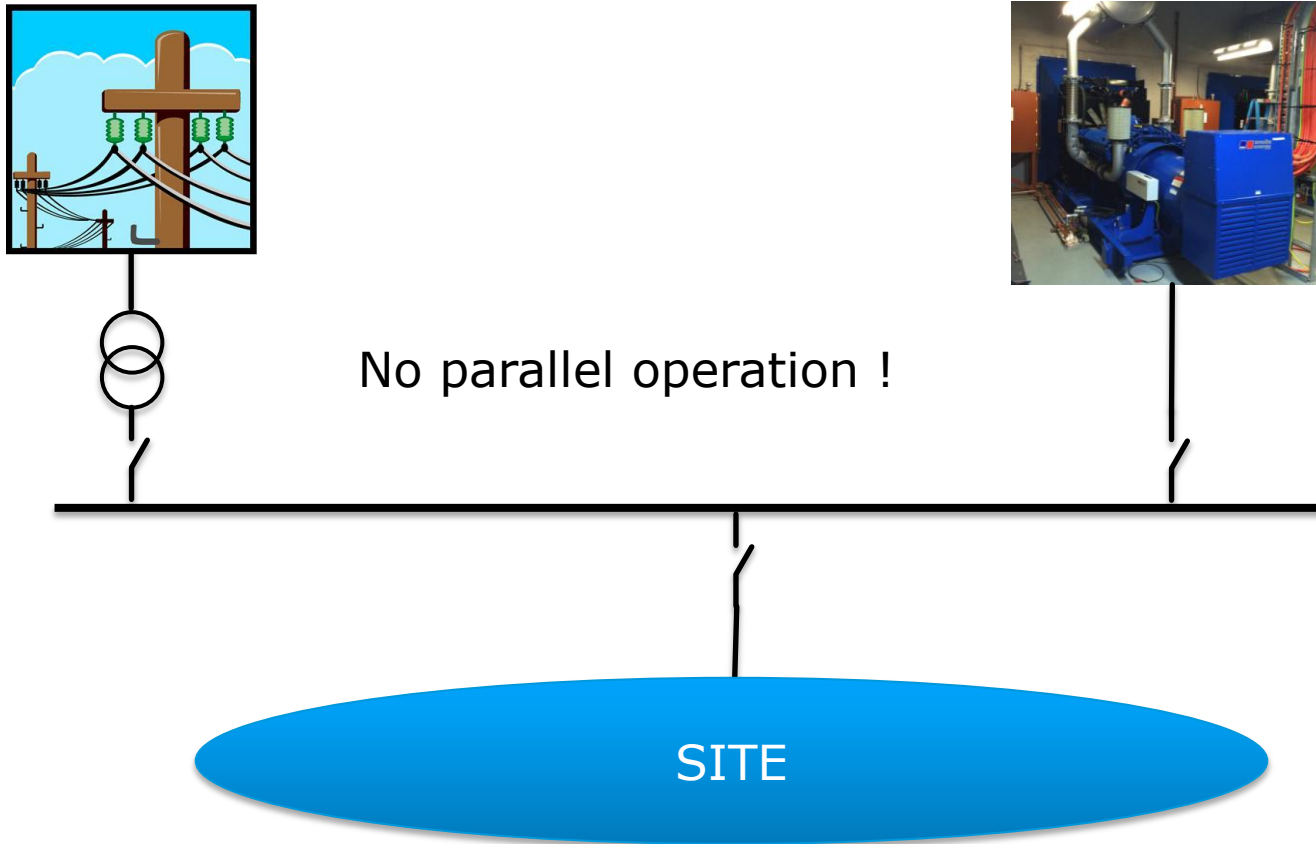
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Non-Competing and Unconstrained Applications

Non-Competing and Unconstrained Applications progress as an Applicant-Specific solution without the Objections Process.

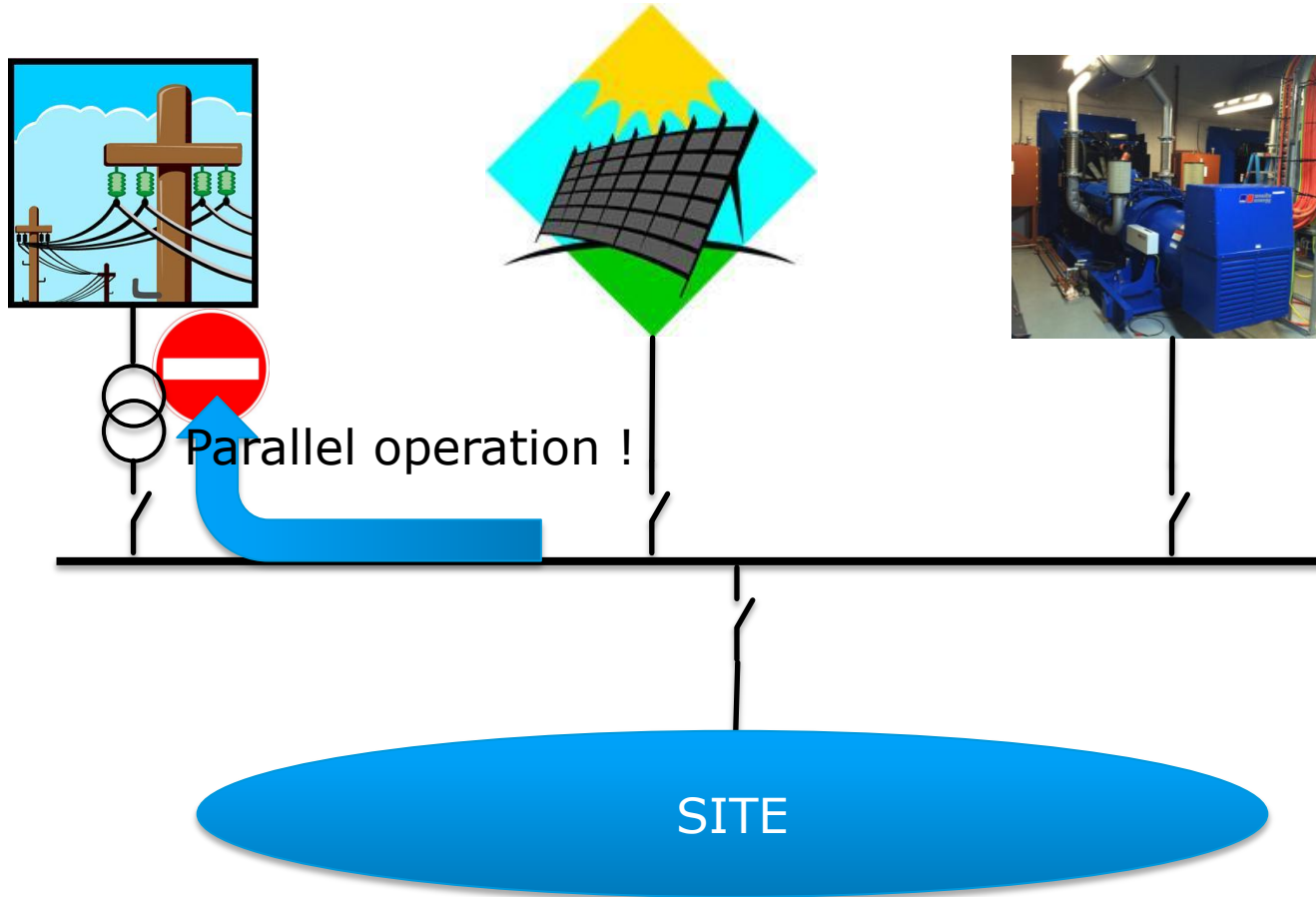
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Today's network



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Tomorrow's network





EXTERNAL LIGHTS IN SPAIN

We plan to replace in our station of Cebreros – Spain
(Deep Space Antenna 2) conventional floodlights by LEDs



EXTERNAL LIGHTS – Cebreros

Some figures

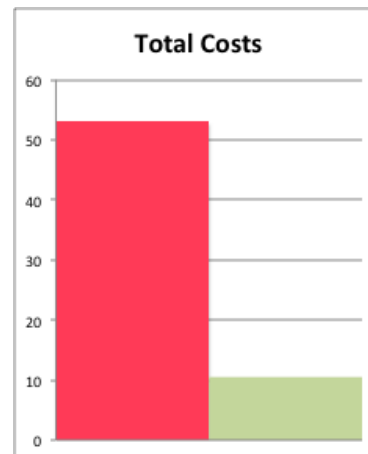
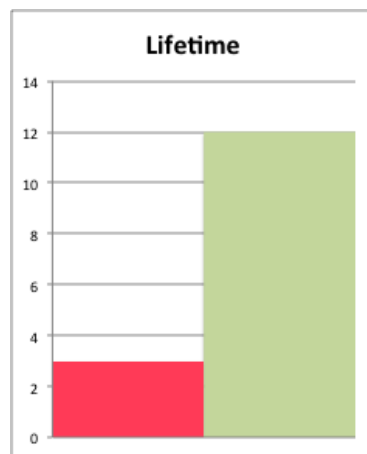
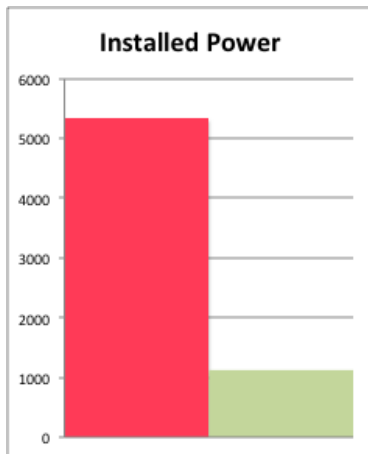


Current Installation

18 Lamp posts	5330 W
Annual Consumption	22373 kWh
Lifetime	3 years
Maintenance costs	45€/lamp
Electricity costs	0,1084 €/kWh
Yearly increase	6%
Overall costs after 12y	53k€

Future Installation

18 Lamp posts	1123 W
Annual Consumption	4716 kWh
Lifetime	12 years
Maintenance costs	-
Electricity costs	0,1084 €/kWh
Yearly increase	6%
Overall costs after 12y	10.5k€



Project Cost: 9k€

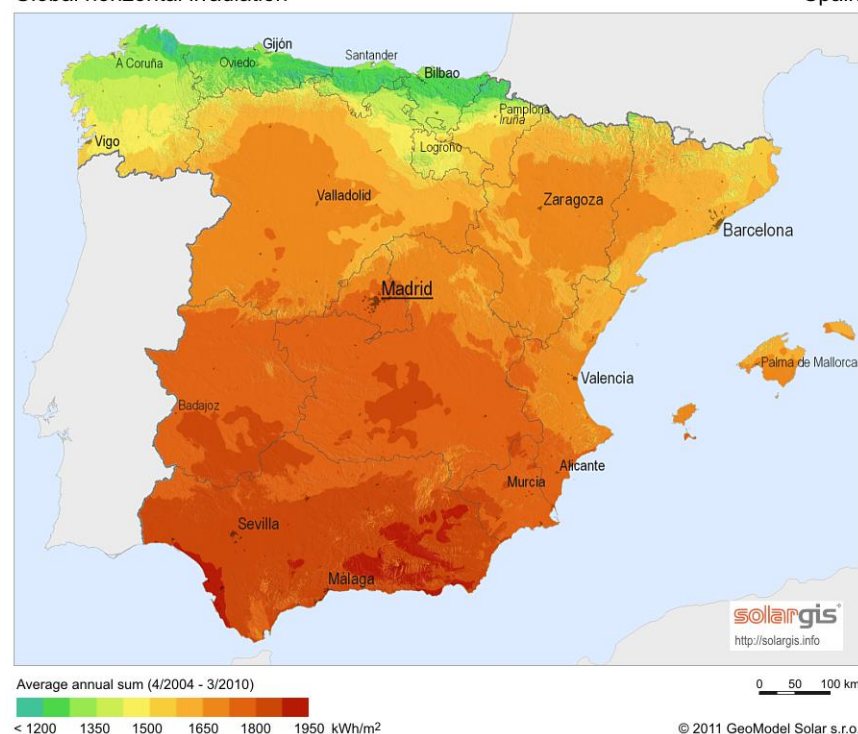
Payback:
Less than 4 years

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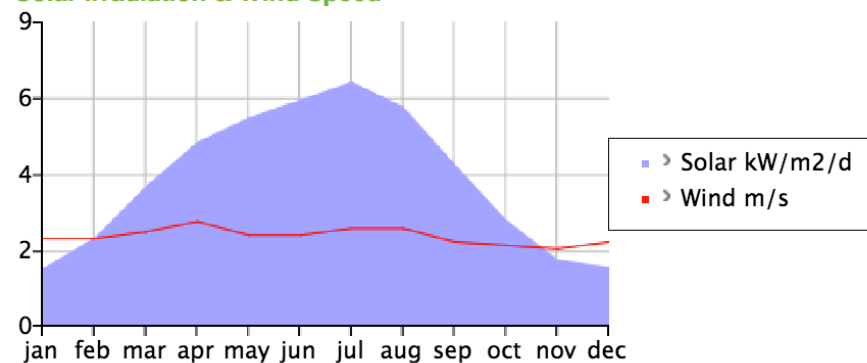
Global horizontal irradiation

Spain



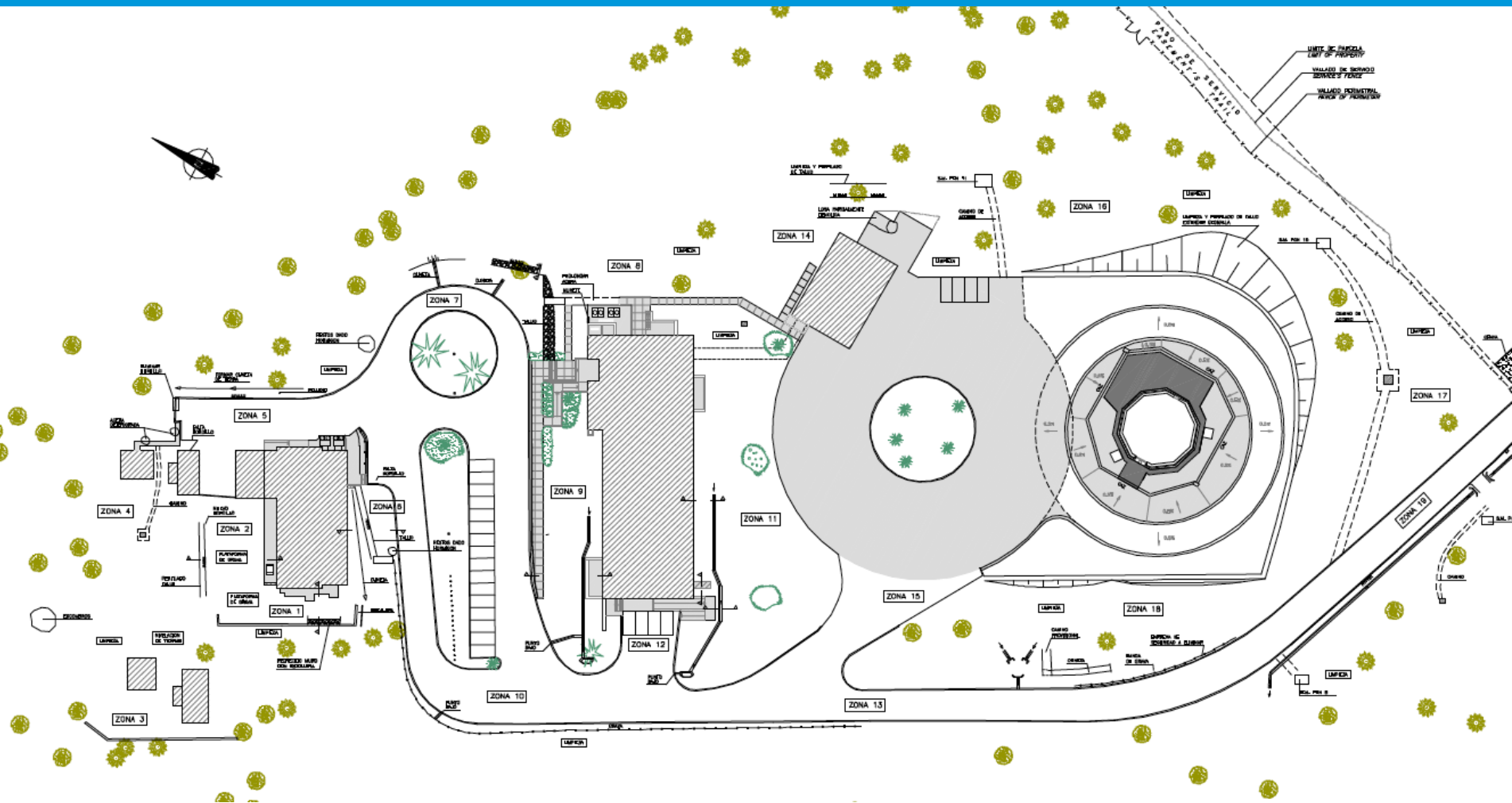
Avg 4.35 kW/m²/d in Madrid area

Solar Irradiation & Wind Speed



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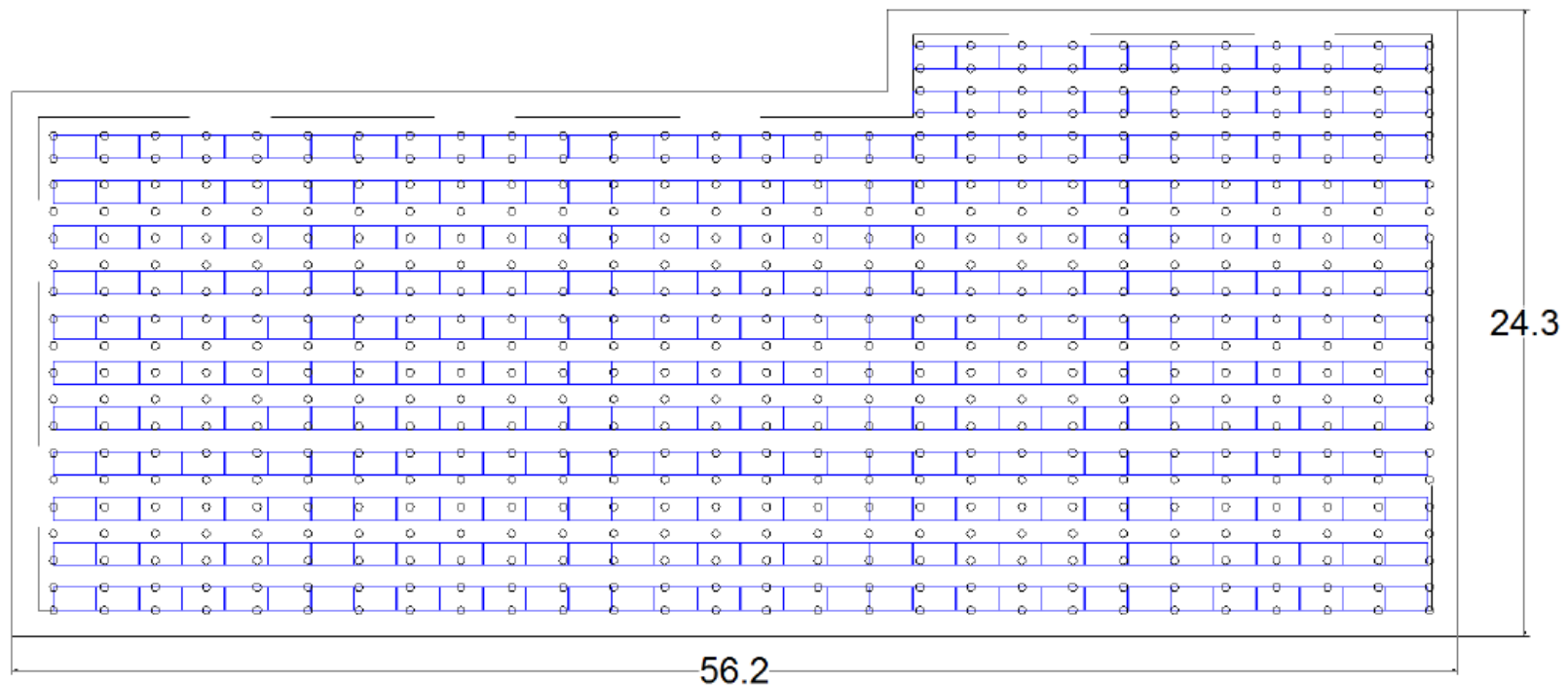
A different approach



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A different approach

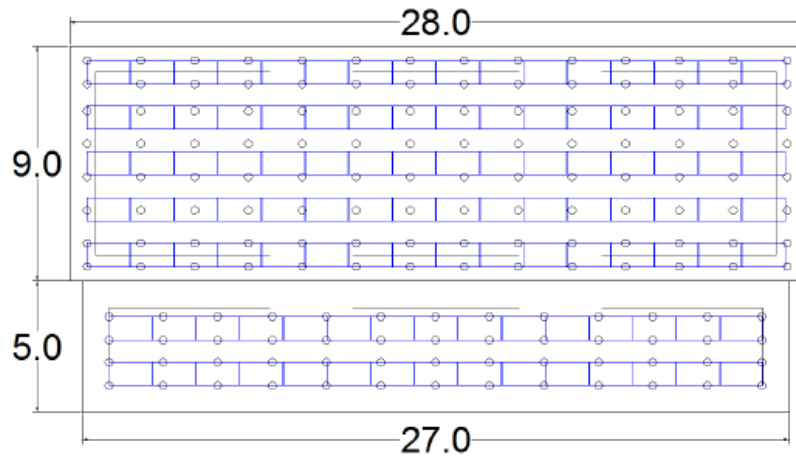
Building 1 - 376 modules



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A different approach

Building 2 - 110 modules



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A different approach



Module slope : 24°

Distance between modules : 1,75m

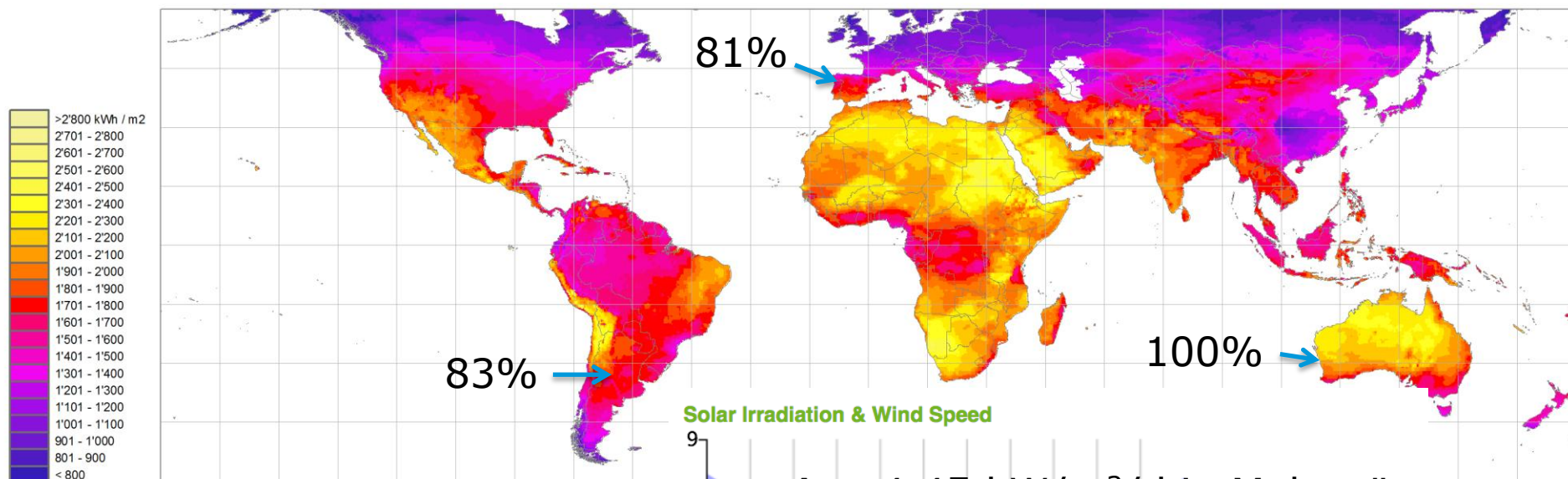
Building	1	2	3	4	6	Total
Area [m ²]	1256	388	248	37	37	1966
Orientation	-30	-30	0	-30	-30	
Number of PV modules	376	110	70	9	9	574
Installed Power [kWp]	97,76	28,6	18,2	2,34	2,34	149,24
Yield [kWh/kWp/an]	1544	1544	1544	1544	1544	1544
Yearly production [kWh]	150941	44158	28101	3613	3613	230426
Number of console Fix	565	164	99	15	15	858

AND AFTER?

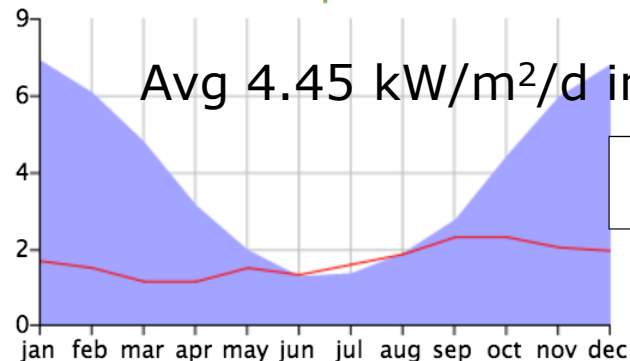
AND AFTER...

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Yearly sum of Global Horizontal Irradiation (GHI)



Solar Irradiation & Wind Speed



September 2012



AIR-CONDITIONING - REVISITED?

Psychrometric Chart

SI (metric) units
Barometric Pressure 101.325 kPa (Sea level)
based on data from
Carrier Corporation Cat. No. 794-001, dated 1975

